

**A RESOLUTION CALLING ON THE MARYLAND STATE DEPARTMENT OF
EDUCATION TO CONTRACT FOR A PERFORMANCE AUDIT OF THE CALVERT
COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM AND SPECIFYING THE ISSUES REQUESTED
TO BE STUDIED**

WHEREAS, Section 5-110 of the *Education Article* of the Maryland Annotated Code provides that the County governing body may request that the Maryland State Department of Education contract for a performance audit of the county public school system;

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Calvert County (“Board of County Commissioners”) believe that an assessment of the practices of the Calvert County Public School System is needed to determine whether the School System is operating economically and efficiently and to determine whether corrective actions are appropriate.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners hereby requests that the Maryland State Department of Education contract for a performance audit of the Calvert County Public School System in accordance with this Resolution;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners that the scope of the requested performance audit include:

1. A comparative analysis of the Findings of the Financial Management Practices Audit Report, January 25, 2022, to: (a) current practice at Calvert County Public Schools; (b) peer jurisdictions; and (c) to industry standards and best practices, and recommend corrective action, recommended enhancements or improvements; and
2. Identification of potential efficiencies or procedures that would lead to cost savings in all direct procurements.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners that the amount for the performance audit shall be established at no more than Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000.00) and will be paid for in accordance with Section 5-110(d) of the *Education Article* of the Maryland Annotated Code;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners that the following shall be added to the scope of work as a bid additive alternate: Preparation of a comparative analysis of current practices to: (1) peer jurisdictions; (2) industry standards and best practices; and recommend corrective action or improvements, where applicable, in the governance structure, central office organization, and the financial management, human resources, and information technology functions of the school system, and to make recommendations for improving the efficiency and effectiveness of operations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners that, in the event any portion of this Resolution is found to be unconstitutional, illegal, null or void, it is the intent of the Board of County Commissioners to sever only the invalid portion of the provision, and that the remainder of the Resolution shall be enforceable and valid;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners that the foregoing recitals are adopted as if fully rewritten herein; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners that this Resolution shall be effective upon recordation without publication of a fair summary.

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SUBJECT: Performance Audit of the Calvert County Public School System

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DONE, this 19th day of September, 2023, by the Board of County Commissioners of Calvert County, Maryland, sitting in regular session.

Aye: 5

Nay: 0

Absent/Abstain: 0

ATTEST:

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF CALVERT COUNTY, MARYLAND**

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ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTION.

Garry P. Smith